## MAYORS ON CIVIC ISSUES OF TO-DAY.

City Officers Furnish the Journal with Their Opinions on Leading Municipal Questions.

A Unit for City Ownership of Gas and Water Works, but Divided on Civic Control of Street Railways.

The Mayors seem to be a unit in received:

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 28.—To secure an idea of the attitude of the Mayors of the largest cities of the United States, now attending the conference in Columbus, regarding municipal ownership of franchises now in the hands of private corporations and other municipal issues, a representative of the New York Journal interviewed distinguished delegates on the following questions:

1. "Do you favor municipal ownership of gas and water works now in the street car lines. Nearly all believe that saloons should be allowed to do business on Sundays under certain regulations and restrictions. Much difference of opinion exists as to the civil service. The Mayor of Des Moines, for instance, believes that the establishment of civil service in cities is the solution of all vexatious social and economical problems of the Americans of to-day, while eight or ten other Mayors denounce the civil service in terms unequivocal.

The Mayors seem to be a unit in Following are some of the replies received:

### Mayor Geyer, of Allegheny City.

Allegheny City owns her own water works and makes money out of its ownership of this franchise, too. Consequently, I believe in and favor muntelpal ownership of water works. Allegheuy also owns her own electric street lighting plant, and the city saves \$25 per are lamp. I don't believe it advantageous for a city to operate its own street car lines. The private corporations owning the franchises in Allegheny City pay the city the sum

Saloons should be licensed high. In Alleghany the saloon keepers have to pay a yearly license of \$1,000. We find the high license to be a good thing.

The saloons ought to be closed on Sunday.

The employes of a city, I believe, ought to be under an honest civil service. It would be better for the employes and better for the city.

CHARLES GEYER, Mayor of Allegheny City.

Columbus, Sept. 28.

## Mayor McMurray, of Denver.

I am heartly in favor of municipal ownership of water works, street car franchises and gas or electric lighting plants. Denver does not own her lighting plant, her street car franchises, or her water works, but she ought to. And she may also in the near future. We are now at work with this end in

The saloon license should be high, and the laws regulating the saloon traffic should be concise and stringent so long as we have to put up with

the saloon at all. I believe that employes of city governments ought to be under civil ser-regulations.

T. S. McMURRAY,

Mayor of Denver.

### Mayor Doran, of St. Paul.

Editor New York Journal.

I am not quite sure that it is wise for American municipalities to own their street car lines, but put me down in favor of the municipal ownership of the gas and electric light plants and water works. The cities should own these institutions.

I favor a high saloon license and closed saloons on Sundays. In many instances good results are derived by putting the saloon under very strict discipline and allowing them to be open certain hours on Sunday.

I favor the civil service in so far that it implies a competitive examination for applications for work under city governments, and the appointment of successful candidates for a definite, not an indefinite period of time. F. D. DORAN, Mayor of St. Paul.

### Mayor McVicar, of Des Moines.

Editor New York Journal:
I certainly do favor municipal ownership of street railways, gas and waterworks, and street lighting plants wherever practicable I favor high license for saloons and believe saloons ought to be closed

I am emphatically in favor of civil service. I believe that in the establishment of civil service will be found the true solution of many problems in American cities. The civil service will annihilate all objections which have been or which can be urged against municipal ownership JOHN M'VICAR, Mayor of Des Moines.

### Mayor Evans, of Birmingham.

Columbus, Sept. 28.

In the abstract I believe in the municipal ownership of street car lines, gas and electric light plants and water works, but in some instances it would not be an advantage to the city to own its street car service, its light plants and its water works. Surrounding conditions will indicate when and where it is well and good for a municipality to own its franchises now sold outright or leased to private corporations.

The saloon license should be as high as one can put it, and Sunday should be a day of peace and rest. Saloons should be universally closed

I am altogether opposed to the civil service. F. V. EVANS, Mayor of Birmingham.

## Mayor Pratt, of Minneapolis.

In certain cities the gas and water works as well as the street railways should be owned by the municipality. In Minneapolis we own our own water works, and we make money. We are not ready yet to take charge of and control the gas works and the street railways. Philadelphia has owned its gas works since 1841, and, I understand, she is losing \$150,000 per annum at the gas business. In many cities electricity is supplanting gas as an illuminant. Wherever feasible and to the advantage of the people to own street car lines and gas and electric lighting plants the city should control them.

The saloon license should be high. No one can answer the question regarding open saloons on Sunday and make himself understood. At least I cannot. I believe it to be a good plan to gradually put employes of a city govern-ment under civil service rules and regulations. ROBERT PRATT. ment under civil service rules and regulations. Mayor of Minneapolis,



### General Neal Dow, of Maine, Dying at His Home, in Portland.

point of death, at his home in this city.

It was on the 20th of last March that

the whole temperance world celebrated he naturally incurred the enmity of he matter third birthday of General Neal low. For half a century previous he had or shave been bestowed thickly on him.

In 1851 the Maine Legislature, after years of his long life he had or seventy years of his long life he had been a leader in temperance work. His first novement in this direction was when he though he naturally incurred the enmity of all connected with the liquor traffic, hou concluded the liquor traffic, hou connected with the was married, and in the liquor traffic, hou connected with the liquor traffic, hou connected with the liquor traffic, hou connected with liquor traffic, hou connected with the liquor traffic, hou

Portland, Me., Sept. 28.—General Neal induced the town authorities of Portland, what may be large figures. At sixty years

### Mayor Johnson, of Fargo, N. D.

Cities Should
Own Their Gas
and Water

I believe that municipalities should own gas and water works. I have not given much consideration to the subject of municipal conversable of street.

and Water

Works.

Subject of municipal ownership of street, railways. Where it is advantageous to the city councils, or those who granted the franchises should take them away from private corporations. Farge owns its own water plant and is making money out of it.

North Dakota is a prohibition State and the saloons do not trouble us much. If we were not a temperance people I would emphatically favor high licenses for saloons. The saloons should not be allowed to keep open on Sunday under any consideration or circumstances.

As to civil service, if an employe of the city government merits retention or promotion, why government merits retention or promotion, why promote him or retain him. If the employe be of no account fire him out, I don't take much

### Mayor Swenson of Moline, Ill.

Owns Water
Works and
It Pays.

Moline once owned her street lighting plant. It was an electrical lighting plant. We had to part with it when the time came to remodel and en-

large it as a matter of economy. Motine owns her own water works to-day and does not lose money by virtue of the fact.

I favor high licenses for salcons. The license in fillings is \$500 per year. It ought to be

Mayor Green, of Binghamton, N. Y.

But No

City Ownership, ditions the municipality should own its

"Snivel" Service. granting of franchises to private individuals and corporations exist in some cities where they are absent in others. If the municipality can get the franchises it has granted to private parties back again without

York I would say put the saloon license at a maximum. Saloons should be closed on Sun-

applies to the discovery of fitness and quality on the part of employes of the city govern-ments. I am heartly in favor of honest civil service, but not at all in favor of "anivel"

Mayor Wright, of Wilmington, N. C.

All Franchises

Should Be
City Property.

I believe that all franchises should be owned by the cities. The municipality should own its gas and water works, and in the majority of cases its street car lines. By transacting its business in a businessillar way the city can earn

The license of a saloon should be high and no

### Flavor Alken, of Evansville, Ind.

and Water.

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City Own
Its Light
and Water.

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The saloons should be regulated according to conditions surrounding them. They should be under strict regulations on Sunday.

### Mayor Andrews, of Roanoke, W. Va.

Light and Water
Yes; Railways
Under Civil
Service.

I favor municipal ownership of lighting plants and water works, but have some doubt that the nunlcipal ownership of street railways is a good thing. The time is not quite ripe for municipally the street on lines, but the allties to group after the street car lines, but the

circumstance whatever, I condens open saloons on Sunday and want to go on record as condensing

### Mayor Baxter, of Lima, Ohio.

Doubts

Wisdom of

City

Ownership.

On general principles, 1-do not believe that the eight works, and street lears.

The salicons should be licensed high and the civil service should apply to the fire department only in my estimation.

# Mayor Hastings, Niagara Palls, N. Y WaterWorks, Yes; Gas and Railways, No. I favor municipal ownership of water works. It's not a good plan for the cl. to own its gas plants. The street car franchises should be left in the hands of private people. Competition is a good thing, and in order to encourage competition the street cars should not be owned by the municipalities.

The saloons should be licensed high, and no saloon should be allowed to do business on

## MALT AND GLUCOSE TRUSTS PUTTING CLAMPS ON TRADE.

the Market, Is to Be Incorporated.

Thus Says One of the Lawyers Offers a Quarter of a Cent a Who Secured Options on Malting Plants.

CAPITAL OF THIRTY MILLIONS, ANOTHER COMPANY MEETS IT.

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The first open movement toward the consummation of the Mult Trust was made known officially as the Glucose Sugar Re-

the latter \$1,250,000 is held.

The fluancial end of the organization has been upheld by the Guaranty Trust Company—which has handled all the subscriptures to all buyers of glucose and purchase to all buyers of glucose and pany-which has handled all the subscriptions to stock-J. Pierpont Morgan & Co.,

will easily permit this. Any rise in price invites connection. By keeping the cost of malt to dealers down at the lowest possible point outsiders will be deterred from erecting opposition matting establishments and the trade in general will profit by it."

The plants secured by the trust are twenty-two in number. These are Cheries Stadler and the New York and Brooklyn Malting Company, of this city: C. M. Warner of Syracuse, N. Y.; Matthews & Co. of Le Roy. N. Y.; State of Curtiss, Buffelow, N. Y.; william Buckheit, of Watertown, N. Y.; setate of Curtiss, Pa. Schniger Malting Company, of Hamilton, Objo; Howard Northwood, of Detroit, Mich.; Albert Schwill, Rice, Bullen & Gunn. Hales & Curtis, John Carden, Jr. L. J. Aaron & Co., W. H. Purcell Company, and Cardew Malting Company, of Chicago, Hanson Hon and Malt Company, Kraus Markel Malt Company, Milwarkee Mait and Grain Company and F. Bullen, of Milwarkee.

SO SHE DIED UNSHRIVEN.

Mrs. Charles Ewald Refused to Leave Her Husband and Priests Decline to Minister to Her.

William Subsequently, examining the ilcense of the rights and privileges of lilensed music halls has importance beyond his personal interests in it, as it has been agreed that his case shall be a Acest one, the outcome of which will determine whether further action be taken against alt the outcome of which will determine whether further action be taken agreed that his case shall be a Acest one, the outcome of which will determine whether further action be taken agreed that his case shall be a Acest one, the outcome of which will determine whether further action be taken agreed that his case shall be a Acest one, the outcome of which will determine whether further action be taken agreed that his case shall be a Acest one, the outcome of which will determine whether further action be acted that his personal interests in it, as it has been agreed that his case shall be a Acest one, the outcome of which will determine whether further action be acted that his personal interests in it, as it has been agree

to Minister to Her. Mrs. Charles Ewald, who several weeks he

ago caused a sensation by refusing to accept the last rites of the Catholic Church pecause of conditions imposed by Bishop Wigger, and whose husband ejected a priest from the house, died at her late home, No. 513 Communipaw avenue, Jersey

home, No. 513 Communipaw avenue, Jersey City, resterday morning.

Mrs. Ewald was a member of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church when she married. Her husband and been divorced, and the marriage was solemnized by a Protestant clergyman. Because the Catholic Church does not recognize divorces she was excommunicated.

Several weeks ago Mrs. Ewald became Ill, and her uncle, Mr. John Conway, requested the priests of St. Patrick's Church to call on her. They did so, and informed her that she could be readmitted to the Catholic Church if she made reparation for her sin by leaving her husband. This she refused to do, and the priests left her.

Mayor Mone, of Youngstown.

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Pound Off for Exclusive Orders.

The Guaranty Trust Company, J. P. So Far as Known No One in the Busi-

ness Has Signed the Agreement Which Is Thus

Offered.

pany, of No. 65 Cedar street, called upon subscribers to stock for their first payments and the incorporation papers were forwarded to the Secretary of State of New the trade by means of a circular, which Jersey at Trenton.

The official name of this big trust, which controls three-fourths of the mail output of the United States, is the American Malting Company. Its capital stock is \$30,000,000 divided into \$15,000,000 7 per cent cumulative preferred stock, and \$15,000,000 common stock. Of the former \$2,500,000 is held in the treasury of the trust, and of the latter \$1,250,000 is held.

The financial end of the organization by

tions to stock—J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., the head of the bankers' syndleate, underwriting the issue of stock, and the banking house of Moore & Schley. As the working part of the organization are Eiverton R. Chopman, of the firm of Moore & Schley. Edward R. Johnes, of the law firm of Johnes & Travis, of No. 50 Broadway, and Seymour Scott, of the Scott Maiting Company, A raned with letters to Philip D. Armour and other prominent men in Chicago, Mr. Johnes was able to secure options on the various important Chicago malsters. Then Milwaukee was visited, and one after another the big maisters in that great brewing centre joined hands. While this work was under way Seymour Scott canvassed the local malisters and those in various portions of the Empire State.

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MUSIC HALLS MARKED. Outcome of Hammerstein's Case to De termine Whether the Police Shall Proceed Against Other Places.

The prosecution of Oscar Hammerstein for alleged violation of certain statutory restrictions of the rights and privileges of licensed music halis has importance beyond his personal interests in it, as it has been

the place, found that it was for a "music hail," so that the performance was clearly a violation.

Under cross-examination the witness said he had conversed with the Inspector about going to the Olympia before they went together on the evening in question. He had frequently visited the place before, unofficially; had never looked at its license and had seen there performances that were neither "vocal" nor "instrumental music," and lad seen women in costume on the stage before, but had never made any complaint on account of such things; had also seen costumed women and non-musical acts at Koster & Bial's and Proctor's Plensure Palace, and never complained against them.

In response to a question by the Magistrate as to the reason for this line of questioning Mr. House indicated the grouns of defence, that such performances having long been going on with the knowledge of the authorities, and no effort having been made to stop them or show them as illegal, a custom had been established, and if at any time they had been in violation of law they had ceased so to be through toleration and countenance by the authorities. This position he was prepared to

leration and countenance by the author-es. This position he was prepared to fend by Court of Appeals and other